

**JOINT DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**



As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names:

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING MULTIPLE VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORKS

the specification of which

■ was filed on 8/31/00 as Application Serial Number TBD.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)	Date of Issue (day, month, year)	Priority Claimed Under 35 U.S.C. 119	Certified Copy Attached
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Prior United States Application(s)

We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

Application Number(s)	Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional provisional application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.
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We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, 112, We acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial Number	Date of Filing (Day, Month, Year)	Status Patented, Pending, Abandoned

Power of Attorney

And we hereby appoint, both jointly and severally, as our attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith as well as before any office or agency of a foreign country or any international organization in connection with any foreign counterpart application claiming priority to this application, including the power to appoint agents and local representatives in connection with such foreign applications, the following attorneys of Banner & Witcoff, their registration numbers being listed after their names:

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